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- Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
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Using This Manual

Chapter 1 -- contains basic concepts and information on digital movies. This should be read before making a movie with your TARGA 1000^{TM} .

Chapter 2 -- shows how to use the Control Panels and tells which support utilities are installed for the TARGA 1000.

Chapter 3 -- is a tutorial introducing you to using the TARGA 1000 with a digital movie editing application such as Adobe Premiere.

Appendix A -- contains troubleshooting and contacting Pinnacle information.

Appendix B -- gives the technical specifications for the TARGA 1000.

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Appendix C -- describes TARGA cables and contains cable specifications.

Appendix D describes how to upgrade a TARGA 1000 CA/V (Composite Video and S-Video analog input only) card to a TARGA 1000 Pro card.

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Chapter 1 – Basic Concepts and Tips

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Chapter 1

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About Video Formats

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Basic Concepts and Tips

Video is comprised of a series of still images called frames. When the frames are displayed in rapid succession, the eye interprets the changes between frames as motion. The NTSC video format displays 29.97 fps (often referred to as 30 fps). The PAL video format displays at 25 fps.

Each video frame is made up of a series of horizontal lines, called scan lines. In the NTSC format, there are a total of 525 lines. Not all of these lines are part of the image. Some provide synchronization and other information. The TARGA 1000™ digitizes 486 lines in NTSC and 576 lines in PAL.

The odd and even numbered scan lines (counting from the top) are separated into two groups, called fields. When the frame is displayed, one field is scanned first. Then the system goes back to the top of the screen and scans the other field. In this way, the two fields are alternately drawn. This is called interlaced display because the two fields interlace on the screen. While one field is fading, the other is drawn, so that the screen is constantly and uniformly refreshed.

The resolution or dimensions of the video frame is described as the number of pixels in each line by the number of lines. The video digitizer (i.e., TARGA 1000) samples each line at up to 648 pixels in NTSC and up to 768 pixels in PAL or SECAM. NTSC is 640 x 480, PAL and SECAM are 768 x 576. (The TARGA 1000 Pro upgrade offers CCIR 601 720 x 486 for NTSC and 720 x 576 for PAL.)

The sound track that accompanies most videos is a completely separate set of data. The only relationship the sound track has to the video is synchronization.

Video Sources

The best quality video source will yield the best recorded image. You will have to assess your intended audience and quality needs before deciding what device to record movies from. The most basic TARGA 1000 card (the TARGA 1000 CA/V) accepts analog input in the form of S-Video (Y/C) and Composite Video. If you have the TARGA 1000 Pro the analog inputs accepted by the card are Composite, S-Video (Y/C), RGB, and Component (Betacam, SMPTE/EBU) video. Most consumer cameras and VCRs output Composite video. Higher-end video products provide an S-Video signal. Professional level video products often provide RGB and Component.

RGB is preferred over Component; Component is preferred over S-Video; and S-Video is preferred over Composite. Cost increases as you move up the scale, but the benefits are better color saturation, sharper edges, better stability, and less noise.

Every transition between analog media lowers the signal quality, so recording directly from a video camera is ideal. Recording from tape involves a second step, which introduces signal loss. A second-generation tape (a copy of a tape) brings another degree of loss. A tape that has been used many times (i.e., worn tape) will also contribute to signal loss.

Note: Use only shielded video cable. Unshielded cable can pick up electronic noise from other hardware, like the computer and monitor, and degrade the signal. For composite video, be sure to use 75-Ohm video cable, not audio cable.

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Hardware vs. Software Playback

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TARGA 1000 digitizes video frames in the AVI and QuickTime MOV formats. With Video for Windows, the compression format is "TARGA MJPG." With QuickTime, the compression formats are "TARGA Video" and "TARGA M-JPEG B." Both of the QuickTime compression formats represent compressed video frames using the JPEG algorithm. TARGA Video has a slightly higher performance system, but can only be compressed on systems that also have TARGA boards installed. TARGA M-JPEG B is a format that is equivalent to a QuickTime provided software compressor called Apple Motion JPEG B.

TARGA 1000 is designed to save movies in either the "TARGA Video" or "TARGA M-JPEG B" format. If you want to play a TARGA 1000 movie in real-time mode though, the PC playing the movie must have a TARGA 1000 card installed and operational.

Note: Any file created on a TARGA 1000 installed PC, but played on a PC which does not have a TARGA 1000, will retain its "full frame" capability, but will not retain the guaranteed "full motion" capability possible with a TARGA 1000.

Transfer And Conversion Of .MOV And .AVI Files

Any QuickTime aware application (on a TARGA 1000 installed PC) will be able to import a TARGA 1000 file without any special conversion. Conversion is necessary, however, when you want the TARGA 1000 to read a file from a format other than "TARGA Video" or "TARGA M-JPEG B." To convert the file, simply use an application such as Adobe Premiere 5, or any application capable of converting a file to the .mov or .avi format. Open the file and save it in one of the following formats: TARGA M-JPEG B, TARGA Video, TARGA MJPG or DVM . Applications such as Adobe Premiere 5 or the Pinnacle Digital VCR Utility can also covert a "TARGA Video" file format to various other formats.

Note: When converting a file to .avi with "TARGA MJPG," the image must be 24-bit. If the image is not 24-bit, the Pinnacle compression option will not appear. Also, if the file is not 30 fps, it needs to be converted or playback will be compromised.

Hardware Considerations When Using TARGA 1000

You should be aware that there are a number of hardware considerations that can influence your movie recording ability. Some involve the speed at which you can capture video frames while others affect image quality.

The primary criteria for evaluating analog components of your system is their ability to keep pace with the stream of data, both video and audio. The NTSC square-pixel resolution is 640 x 480 pixels, for a total of 307,200 pixels. At 29.97 (or 30) frames per second, that's 9,216,000 pixels per second. At 24 bits per pixel, that's 21 megabits per second (if audio is included then the data rate can increase by up to 192K per second). Therefore, a SCSI controller that has a high-performance 7200 rpm ultrawide drive is essential in order for you to achieve the necessary data rates for optimal results.

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Square vs. Non-Square Pixels

Many of today's video editing applications (not to mention computer software in general), assume that you are working in a resolution that uses square pixels, that is, one that has the same number of pixels horizontally and vertically for a given length. More specifically, these video editing applications assume that full-screen video resolution is 640×480 (NTSC) or 768×576 (PAL).

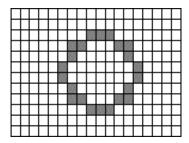
Some video products utilize resolutions with non-square pixels. As mentioned previously, one of the resolutions of NTSC for TARGA 1000 is 720 x 486. On a video monitor, the video signal displays more pixels in the horizontal direction than in the vertical direction for a given length. As a result, NTSC pixels are rectangular, taller than they are wide, on the video monitor. The situation is reversed in PAL where the resolution is 720 x 576. In this case, the rectangular pixels are wider than they are tall.

This merging of the square and non-square pixel worlds manifests itself in a variety of ways, some of which have already been described. In general, they will not affect your work but you should nonetheless be aware of the implications.

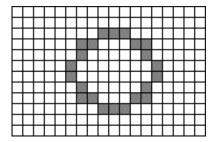
Displaying Pixels On A Computer Screen

The non-square pixel format is most obvious when you play back a clip with a software CODEC, such as Adobe Premiere, on your computer screen. The taller, rectangular NTSC non-squared pixels are stretched horizontally to square pixels on the computer screen and the image appears slightly "squashed." The wider, rectangular PAL non-squared pixels are stretched vertically to square pixels on the computer screen and the image appears

slightly "scrunched." The diagram below illustrates this phenomenon for NTSC.



Circle on a video monitor (with rectangular pixels)



Circle on a computer monitor stretches (with square pixels)

Again, the distorted display of non-square resolution video on the computer screen will not affect how your video looks when you output to a video monitor.

Note: If you are editing a 16:9 project in Adobe Premiere, your computer screen previews will be further distorted due to the fact that you cannot set these previews to a 16:9 aspect ratio. Again, this will not affect how your video looks when output except as described immediately below.

Effects, Transitions, And Titles

Many video applications calculate their effects, transitions, and titles based on an assumed square pixel aspect ratio. Those effects and transitions that are geometric in nature, as well as titles, will appear slightly distorted when rendered to the non-squared pixel format. For example, in NTSC, a circular iris transition will appear as a slightly elongated oval when it is calculated. The angle of a page peel will be slightly steeper than 45 degrees. Titles will be rendered slightly taller. The distortion is greater if you are editing a 16:9 project. The extent to which these slight distortions matter will depend on you and your audience.

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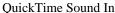
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About TARGA 1000 Audio

The common audio rate that is supported is 48 KHz (also 44.1 and 32 KHz are common), 16 bit, stereo. To setup QuickTime to utilize audio, you must select the audio options in the QuickTime control panel as shown in the next two figures. The QuickTime Control Panel can be opened by clicking the Start button, highlighting Settings, selecting the Control Panel folder, and then selecting the QuickTime Control Panel.







QuickTime Sound Out

Note: The QuickTime settings "Built-in" and "waveOut" are linked to whatever audio device is selected within the Multimedia Control Panel of Windows. For your audio to function probably, TARGA or Pinnacle DVR should be the selected as the audio device in the Multimedia Control Panel.

Chapter 2 – TARGA 1000[™] Control Panels And Utilities

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Accessing The Control Panels

There are several software settings you must configure for audio, video input, and video output before using your TARGA 1000. These settings are made via the TARGA 1000 Control Panels. The Control Panels for TARGA 1000 are:

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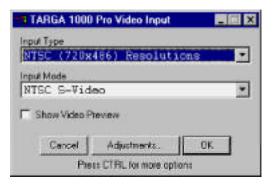
- Video Input Control Panel
- Video Output Control Panel
- Audio Control Panel
- QuickTime Control Panel

All of the hardware and software settings made in the control panels are saved in the DVR.INI file in the Windows NT directory, and remain the default until changed.

The TARGA 1000 Control Panels can be accessed by "Start » Settings » Control Panel » Pinnacle DVR (for Video Input and Video Output) or QuickTime." The Control Panels (except for QuickTime) and all of the software utility applications that accompany TARGA can also be accessed by "Start » Programs » TARGA 1000."

Video Input Control Panel

The Video Input Control Panel allows you to specify what types of video inputs are connected to the board for your video input source, and allows you to make adjustments to the video input.



Input Type

Use your mouse or keyboard to select an appropriate video input type (signal type) for your particular video input source. The TARGA 1000 can accept the following input types (available video types will vary with different board types):

- NTSC 720x486 Resolutions
- NTSC 648x486 Output Only
- NTSC 640x480 Output Only
- PAL 720x576 Resolutions
- PAL 768x576 Output Only

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Input Mode

Use your mouse or keyboard to select an appropriate video input mode (specific signal type) for your particular video input source. The TARGA 1000 can accept the following input types (available video types will vary with different board types):

- NTSC Betacam (Y, B-Y, R-Y) PAL Composite
- NTSC Composite
- NTSC S-Video
- NTSC SMPTE GBR
- NTSC GBR (No Setup)
- NTSC GBR (With Setup)

- PAL SMPTE/EBU (Betacam)
- PAL SMPTE GBR
- PAL S-Video

Show Video Preview

When selected, this setting allows live video to pass to your video output display device. Use this setting to verify that you have correctly set your video input. Your video input must be activated (i.e., tape playing or camera on) for this function to operate.

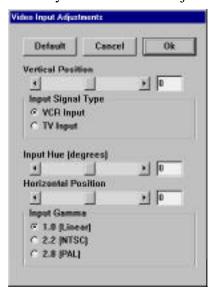
Note: The TARGA 1000 does not convert video signals from NTSC to PAL, or vice versa. If you have NTSC input, the output will automatically be set to NTSC. The same applies to PAL.

Video Input Adjustments

Pinnacle supplies various filters and settings for your video input signal. Depending on your board, your input type, and your input mode, you could see a variety of options when you click on the Adjustments button.

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VERTICAL POSITION

Allows you to adjust the vertical positioning of your video on the output monitor.

INPUT SIGNAL TYPE

These settings can be used to help the board adjust to the quality of the input signal.

- Standard VCR Input -- The default for normal quality video input.
- Unstable VCR Input -- Use if you have a input signal with weak sync pulses. This means the input might roll horizontally or vertically, appear distorted, or be shifted on the screen. This setting basically increases the tolerance for sync pulse instability.

HUE

The property of pure color. The hues are the primary colors of red, green, and blue and their complements of cyan, magenta, and yellow. A hue has only one wavelength associated with it while a blend of hues, such as white, has multiple wavelengths. Therefore, white and black are colors but not hues. The Hue control adjusts the subcarrier phase so that the displayed "color" agrees with your conception. An example is the flesh tone of a person. This can be adjusted over a gamut of red to green.

HORIZONTAL POSITION

Allows you to adjust the horizontal positioning of your video on the output monitor.

INPUT GAMMA

Allows you to make adjustments for color signal variations among different pieces of video equipment. We recommend 1.0 Linear Gamma for recording and playback of compressed video.

- 1.0 (Linear) -- Use when the incoming video already has the correct gamma component factored into it, and further correction is not needed.
- 2.2 (NTSC) -- Use to remove the effects of gamma from the NTSC input signal (i.e., to convert non-linear/gamma corrected video data to linear video data.)
- 2.8 (PAL) -- Use to remove the effects of gamma from the PAL input signal (i.e., to convert non-linear/gamma corrected video data to linear video data).

REMOVE SYNC ON GREEN

When using an RGB input, this selection designates whether sync is expected on the green component of the input or as a separate signal. The default expects sync with the green signal.

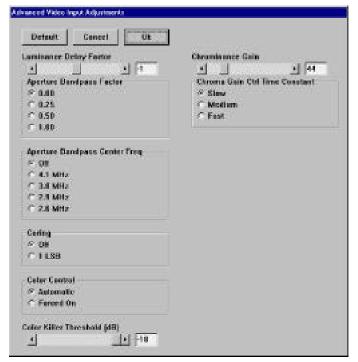
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Advanced Video Input Adjustments

The Advanced Video Input Adjustments are provided for even finer control over incoming video signals. All of these adjustments are minute, and require the use of a scope to measure. To access the Advanced Video Input Adjustments window, hold down the <CTRL> key and click the Adjustments button in the Video Input Window. Depending on your board model, input type, and input mode you could see a variety of input adjustments.



LUMINANCE DELAY FACTOR

The separate processing paths for luminance and chrominance can cause variations in each signal's time delay to the decoder. Luminance Delay allows adjustment of the luminance to provide alignment with the chrominance at the output of the decoder.

APERTURE BANDPASS FACTOR (PEAKING)

Used in conjunction with Aperture Bandpass Center Frequency to achieve desired processing of high frequency luminance components. The factor is a relative gain setting, therefore the higher the setting the higher the gain and amplified noise in the input signal.

APERTURE BANDPASS CENTER FREQUENCY

Provides peaking control of high frequency components of luminance. The characteristics of this filter can be modified by changing its center frequency and its gain factor.

CORING

Provides processing control over the high frequency components of luminance which reduces noise (sparkles) in dark areas of video. Used with higher aperture factors to reduce amplified noise, coring basically throws away the least significant bits of information in the portion of a bipolar chrominance signal around the 0 crossover point.

- Off -- All digital sampling is preserved.
- 1 LSB -- Removes 1 Least Significant Bit (values in the range of +1 to -1 mapped to 0) of the chrominance signal to reduce the resolution of data around the crossover point.

COLOR CONTROL

Enables/disables the automatic color killing processing function.

- Automatic -- If color burst information meets or exceeds the color killer threshold, the decoder will attempt to extract color information.
- Forced On -- Forces color processing on signals that have input color information so weak that color processing could not compensate. If an input signal has no color information and Color Processing is forced on, erroneous color artifacts can occur.

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COLOR KILLER THRESHOLD

Defines the level at which the decoder will no longer attempt to extract color information from the input signal. If the decoder is forced to draw color information from a black and white source color banding can occur in the resulting images. The default setting is for quality video signals. If attempting to recover color information from weak signals, the setting should be increased to a larger negative value.

CHROMA TRAP DISABLED

Improves the purity of the luminance (black and white) information by filtering out the 3.58 MHz (NTSC) subcarrier signal.

CHROMINANCE GAIN

Provides additional amplification of chrominance information to compensate for weak input signals.

CHROMINANCE GAIN CONTROL TIME CONSTANT

Used to control the speed of response of the chrominance gain circuit to variations in input color levels.

PRE-EMPHASIS FILTER

Only used with composite video when the decoder chrominance trap is active. Enabling the filter adds gain to the luminance components above and below the chrominance trap frequency in an attempt to compensate for luminance losses that occur in this frequency range. Adding luminance does have the side effect of increasing ringing during sharp luminance transitions.

PAL SWITCH SENSITIVITY

Used for high bit immediate sequence correction. That is, it allows you to lock the time of a digital phase-lock loop controlling the subcarriers lock time.

Video Output Control Panel

The Video Output Control Panel allows you to specify what types of video outputs are connected to the board for your video output source, and allows you to make adjustments to the video output.



Output Type

Use your mouse or keyboard to select an appropriate video output type (signal type) for your particular video output source. The TARGA 1000 can accept the following output types (available video types will vary with different board types):

- NTSC 720x486 Resolutions
- PAL 720x576 Resolutions
- NTSC 648x486 Output Only
- PAL 768x576 Output Only
- NTSC 640x480 Output Only

Output Mode

Use your mouse or keyboard to select an appropriate video output mode (specific signal type) for your particular video output source. The TARGA 1000 can provide the following output types (available video types will vary with different board types):

- NTSC Betacam (Y, B-Y, R-Y)
- NTSC Composite & S-Video
- NTSC SMPTE GBR
- NTSC GBR (No Setup)
- NTSC GBR (With Setup)
- PAL Composite & S-Video
- PAL SMPTE/EBU (Betacam)
- PAL SMPTE GBR

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Show Video Preview

When selected, this setting allows live video to pass to your video output display device. Use this setting to verify that you have correctly set your video output. Your video input must be activated (i.e., tape playing or camera on) for this function to operate.

Note: The TARGA 1000 does not convert video signals from NTSC to PAL, or vice versa. If you have NTSC input, the output will automatically be set to NTSC. The same applies to PAL.

Video Output Adjustments

Pinnacle supplies various filters and settings for your video output signal. Depending on your board, your output type, and your output mode, you could see a variety of options when you click on the Adjustments button.



GENLOCK SIGNAL SOURCE SELECTION

This setting provides three options: Disabled (None), Current Video In, and Blackburst Genlock Input. We suggest you select Disabled if you do not need genlock.

— None -- The default that assumes that genlock is not needed.

- Video Input 1 -- If you are using a Composite Video source, you can choose Current Video In so that your input and output devices are in step with one another. If you have an S-Video source, you cannot use Video Source 1 as a genlock source because you get a timing lock but not a true genlock. To get around this problem, however, you can attach a Composite Signal Source (Composite Out on the device) to the yellow Composite cable lead on the CA-204 cable.
- Blackburst Genlock Input -- Intended for the studio environment in which there is a house sync. Connect the BLACK lead on your CA-204 cable to this sync.

GENLOCK STATUS

This control determines whether the board will attempt to genlock or not.

- Master (Do not genlock) -- Instructs the board to generate output timing based on its on-board timing circuits. The output timing is not dependent on any external timing reference.
- Slave (Genlock to ext. src) -- Instructs the board to generate its output timing locked to the reference signal selected using the Genlock Signal Source Selection options. When slave mode is selected, the Genlock Signal Source Selection should be set to Video Input or Blackburst.

OUTPUT TIMING

There is a defined video standard for timing an analog active video signal, and another defined video standard for timing a digital active video signal. The two standards do not exactly correspond in regards to actual active video signal timing. Thus, when full active video is captured by the TARGA 1000 board, a dark line may be seen on the edges of the video due to the timing discrepancy in the standards of analog and digital video.

— SMPTE 170M -- This setting conforms to the timing of full active video for analog. For NTSC, only 712 pixels of data are used to produce full active video. For PAL, only 702 pixels of data are used to produce full active video.

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 Full 720 Pixels -- Use this setting if the editing software application addresses all 720 pixels (e.g., a rendered image) that are used to produce full active video.

Note: If either setting is selected and the editing application does not address all pixels, the TARGA board will fill the leftover pixels with data, and a black line will be seen along the edges of the video output.

OUTPUT GAMMA

Allows you to make adjustments for color signal variations among different pieces of video equipment. We recommend 1.0 Linear Gamma for recording and playback of compressed video.

- 1.0 (Linear) -- Use when the incoming video already has the correct gamma component factored into it, and further correction is not needed.
- 2.2 (NTSC) -- Use to compensate for the nonlinear relationship between the source and the monitor for NTSC. For instance, if you are creating an animation using computer generated footage which has never been gamma corrected in the NTSC format, use this selection.
- 2.8 (PAL) -- Use to compensate for the nonlinear relationship between the source and the monitor for PAL. For instance, if you are creating an animation using computer generated footage which has never been gamma corrected in the PAL format, use this selection.

REMOVE SYNC ON GREEN

Removes the Sync signal from the green component of GsBR Component video signals.

Advanced Video Output Adjustments

The Advanced Video Output Adjustments are provided for even finer control over output video signals. All of these adjustments are minute, and require the use of a scope to measure. To access the Advanced Video Output Adjustments window, hold down the <CTRL> key and click the Adjustments button in the Video Output Window. Depending on your board model, output type, and output mode you could see a variety of Output adjustments.

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HORIZONTAL PHASE

This is the timing relationship between the genlock signal and the output signal and requires the use of a scope. This is for studio users only. The human eye will not be able to discern differences through slider adjustments. This coarse adjustment allows us to shift the output signal in pixel clock increments relative to the genlock reference. (Note: Pixel clock increments can vary depending on your setup.)

FINE HORIZONTAL PHASE

This adjustment further divides the pixel clock so that adjustments can be performed in very fine steps, allowing for a very accurate sync of video signals. (Note: Pixel clock increments can vary depending on your setup.)

SCH PHASE (DEGREES)

Used to align color information in your video signals, and will require a vector scope. Color information is carried in the part of the signal called burst. The burst is composed of a carrier frequency of 3.58 MHz for NTSC and 4.43 MHz for PAL. For NTSC, the SCH phase refers to the phase relationship between the leading edge of horizontal sync at the 50% amplitude point, and the zero crossings of the color burst by extrapolating the color burst back to the leading edge of sync. This is expressed in degrees of subcarrier phase. The definition for PAL is slightly different, but similar.

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Audio Control Panel

The Audio Control Panel allows you to control the audio input and output signals of the audio devices attached to the TARGA 1000, and also sets up the defaults for the QuickTime driver. Depending on your board type, you could see various settings.



Note: Click on Audio Preview to pass through audio so that you can hear the audio when setting the Record and Playback levels. If you are not using Mute, make sure that it is not checked so that audio can be heard during preview.

RECORD L R

The first set of slider bars are labeled "Record L R" and refer to the left and right channels of the audio input signal. Moving these sliders allows you to make adjustments to input gain.

Input gain is like a record level. For instance, the input level from a microphone jack output is tiny 1 mV or 1 millivolt, while the record level from a cd player or tape deck is 700 mV or 700 millivolts. Here is a rule of thumb to follow regarding input gain: Set the hardware for the maximum input gain possible without causing distortion or dropouts. Then, adjust the second set of sliders labeled "Playback L R."

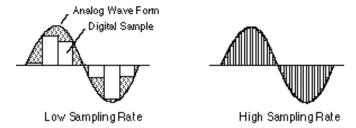
PLAYBACK L R

Output gain (or output volume) is controlled by the second set of sliders labeled "Playback L R" and refers to the left and right channels of the audio output signal. Moving these sliders up or down allows you to adjust the audio output level.

SAMPLE RATE (kHz)

Determines the highest audio frequency that you can record. Sample Rate or sampling rate is the number of digital samples per second taken by the TARGA 1000 hardware. It is the number of times per second that the amplitude of the sound wave (analog signal) is tested and recorded. The more frequently the amplitude is sampled, the closer the sample values will follow the wave form.

In the figure one wave form is shown with a low sampling rate and again with a higher rate. The shaded area beneath the wave form shows a discrepancy between the digital sample and the analog signal over time. The higher sampling rate, with less gray, indicates a higher fidelity. A reference point for sampling rate is that audio CD's are sampled at 44,100 samples per second or 44.1 kHz.



Note: The TARGA 1000 offers a dozen or so audio sampling rates, but many QuickTime applications only deal with 11, 22, and 44.1 audio sampling rates. Keep this in mind when you are exporting files to these applications. These three rates are the "usual" Windows rates and are NOT a limitation of the TARGA 1000 drivers.

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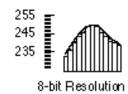
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MISCELLANEOUS

- Audio Preview -- When you click on this box, you simply allow sound to pass through so that you can hear it and make adjustments. Like Video Preview, it will turn off when you close the control panel.
- Stereo -- When you click on this box, you are choosing to keep two separate audio channels. The trade-off is that this doubles the amount of data required to store the information.
- 16-Bit Samples -- When you click on this box, you increase the amount of audio data saved for each sound sample. For example, the possible values available for a single sound sample when the data is saved at 8-bits is 256 possible values. At 16-Bit sampling, the number of possible values for a sound is increased to 65,536.

The bit depth (8 or 16-bit) is the number of binary digits (bits) used to specify the amplitude of each digital sample. With more bits used, the digital samples approach the true amplitude more closely. An 8-bit resolution provides 256 levels (0-255), and a 16-Bit resolution provides more than 65 thousand levels. The figure below shows a portion of a wave form described at 4-bit depth and 8-bit depth. The shaded area beneath the wave form shows a discrepancy between the recorded amplitude of the digital sample and the true amplitude of the analog signal. The higher resolution, with less gray, indicates a higher fidelity.



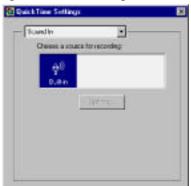


 Std Stereo Sample Order -- This control dictates the ordering of stereo samples in a file. When this option is checked, the pairing order is Left then Right. When this option is unchecked, the pairing order is Right then Left.

- Mute -- When you click on this box, you are turning off the sound.
 When you select this option, you are muting, not disabling, Audio Preview.
- Wave Output Adjustments -- This control improves audio/video synchronization. It is used to adjust the audio sample rate during playback to match a stable video clock. If the video is genlock to an unstable video signal, audio distortion can occur and this option should be turned off.

QuickTime Control Panel

The common audio rate that is supported is 48 kHz (also 44.1 and 32 kHz are common), 16 bit, stereo. To setup QuickTime to utilize audio, you must select the audio options in the QuickTime control panel to match those settings made in the Audio Control Panel and in your movie-editing software (e.g., Adobe Premiere). The QuickTime Control Panel can be opened by clicking: "Start » Settings » Control Panel » QuickTime."





Note: The QuickTime settings "Built-in" and "waveOut" are linked to whatever audio device is selected within the Multimedia Control Panel of Windows. For your audio to function probably, TARGA or Pinnacle DVR should be the selected as the audio device in the Multimedia Control Panel.

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Accessing The TARGA 1000 Utilities

Several software utilities are provided with the TARGA 1000. The utilities are not necessary to use the TARGA board and are provided for highly specialized purposes. The TARGA 1000 Utilities are briefly described here. The utilities provided for TARGA 1000 are:

- TARGA Service Selector
- Digital VCR
- DVR Capture
- TARGA AVI Player
- DVR Info
- Uninstall TARGA 1000 Software
- TARGA QuickTime Player
- VidCap (Video For Windows must be the only Multimedia Service selected in the TARGA Service Selector Utility for VidCap to work.)

The TARGA 1000 utility applications that accompany TARGA 1000 can also be accessed by "Start » Programs » TARGA 1000."

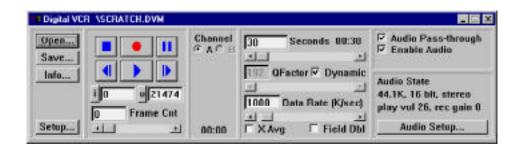
TARGA Service Selector Utility

This utility allows selecting between Microsoft Video For Windows or Apple QuickTime for Windows. For Premiere 5, we recommend using QuickTime. By choosing one or the other service, performance and reliability will be increased.



Digital VCR Utility

The TARGA 1000 Digital VCR allows you to record and play back movie clips to and from your hard disk at full frame rates with better than CD quality audio synchronized to video. Digital VCR has been optimized for speed and motion-smooth video while sustaining a synchronized sound track. Whatever your digital video needs, the Digital VCR software lets you control the aspects most important to you.



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DVR Capture Utility

This is a frame capture application that enables you to grab single frames from live video into two separate frame buffers. It is also a convenient file format converter, and can generate color bars for testing your TARGA 1000.

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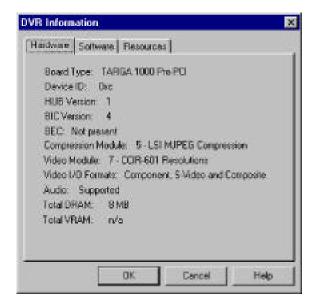
TARGA AVI Player Utility

This utility provides a quick, stand-alone way to access the TARGA 1000 video and audio playback capabilities for .avi files stored on your hard disk. The TARGA AVI Player can be used in several ways, such as a DVCR independent movie controller, or a video preview and export to tape output tool.



DVR Info Utility

This utility provides information on your TARGA 1000 hardware, software, and memory resources to be used in troubleshooting and compatibility testing. The information included in these windows covers topics such as board type, chip versions, compression and video modules, software versions, memory base addresses, and interrupt requests (IRQs). This information is intended to help Pinnacle Technical Support resolve any possible problems by giving information on your particular board.



Uninstall TARGA 1000 Software Utility

This utility removes all TARGA 1000 files from your system in one easy step. This utility is useful before installing upgraded TARGA software or before reinstalling software that may have been damaged.

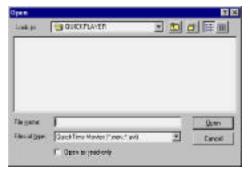
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TARGA QuickTime Player Utility

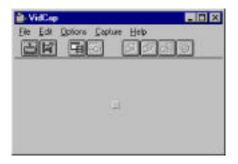
This utility provides a quick, stand-alone way to access the TARGA 1000 video and audio playback capabilities for QuickTime MOV files stored on your hard disk. The TARGA QuickTime Player can be used in several ways, such as a independent movie controller, or a video preview and export to tape output tool. The QuickTime movie files can be dragged and dropped into the QuickTime Window.



VidCap Utility

VidCap is a Microsoft data-capture application that lets you capture video sequences onto your computer system. With VidCap, you can capture individual images or entire video sequences from a VCR, a videodisc player, or a video camera and microphone. VidCap focuses on data collection; the VidEdit application, also included with Video for Windows, supports functions such as editing, compression, and formatting.

Note: Video For Windows must be the only Multimedia Service selected in the TARGA Service Selector Utility for VidCap to work.



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TUTORIAL INTRODUCTION

This tutorial will guide you through the first use of your TARGA 1000 with Adobe Premiere[™] 5 and Windows NT[®]. We assume that you have a working knowledge of Windows NT, that you are using NTSC equipment, and that you have a video and audio-editing software application (such as Adobe Premiere 5) already installed. (PAL users can also use this tutorial, but bear in mind that some of the settings described must be changed for PAL usage.) Every new TARGA 1000 owner, whether a total novice or an expert with a similar product, should work through these lessons. Pinnacle has created this tutorial to help TARGA 1000 users quickly learn and become productive with our product.

This document consists of three lessons: Configuring Your Computer, Capturing Video, and Making Movies. We recommend that you work through all three in a single session. This will take you less than two hours. Also included in this tutorial is a section called Answers To Frequently Asked Questions. The questions listed and answered in this section are those most frequently received by our Technical Support staff.

LESSON 1: CONFIGURING YOUR COMPUTER

Before beginning this tutorial, read the "Basic Concepts And Tips" sections in Chapter 1 of this manual. Also, the latest information about TARGA 1000 is available from Pinnacle Technical Support's FaxBack or On-line Services. See the "Pinnacle Customer Satisfaction Center" in "Appendix A - Troubleshooting" of this manual for contact information. Also refer to Appendix A if you have a problem while using your TARGA 1000.

Hardware Setup

For this tutorial, use the following hardware configuration:

- Connect an active video source (e.g., VCR, video camera, or laser disc player) to the TARGA 1000's video and audio inputs.
- Connect a video output device to the TARGA 1000 video output. You can use the video output port to view your video by attaching a video display device to the proper output connections.
- Connect the TARGA 1000 audio outputs to the inputs of your video output device, amplifier, or speakers.

Software Setup

- Make sure that Windows NT 4.0 (with Service Pack #3 or #4), QuickTime, Adobe Premiere 5, and the TARGA 1000 software have been installed on your computer. Refer to the Quick Start sheet titled "Getting Started With TARGA 1000."
- Proceed to "Lesson 2: Capturing Video."

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LESSON 2: CAPTURING VIDEO

Turn on all the hardware in your configuration. If you are using a VCR as input source, play a video tape. Some of the video will be captured to your 7200 rpm ultra-wide hard drive during this tutorial.

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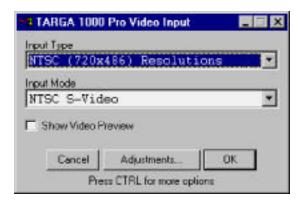
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Set The TARGA Video Input Control Panel

You must specify what types of audio/video inputs are connected to the board. The Video Input Control Panel allows you to set your video input type (i.e., NTSC, PAL, 720x486, etc.) and mode (i.e., Composite, S-Video, GBR, etc.).

Launch the Video Input Control Panel.
 (Start » Programs » TARGA 1000 » Video Input)



- Depending on your board, you will have a variety of choices. Proper settings are dependent upon your particular equipment. Use your mouse or keyboard to select the appropriate video input formats.
- Start your video input source (camera on and/or VCR playing).

- Click Show Video Preview to pass live video to your video output device. If you see live video, you have correctly configured your software to accept your input type and mode. If video fails to pass through, verify that your cables are correctly attached, and that your input type and mode are correctly set.
- Click **OK** to close the Video Input Control Panel.

Set The TARGA Video Output Control Panel

Not only do you need to choose the video *input*, you must also set the type of video *output* connected to the TARGA 1000.

Launch the Video Output Control Panel.
 (Start » Programs » TARGA 1000 » Video Output)



- Depending on your board model, you will have a variety of options.
 Select the appropriate output type and mode for your equipment.
- Click Show Video Preview to pass live video to your video output device. If you see live video, you have correctly configured your software to accept your input type and mode. If video fails to pass through, verify that your cables are correctly attached, and that your input type and mode are correctly set.
- Click **OK** to close the Video Output Control Panel.

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Set The TARGA Audio Control Panel

If your are going to capture audio with the video, then you must also set the audio parameters for the TARGA 1000 board.

Launch the TARGA Audio Control Panel.
 (Start » Programs » TARGA 1000 » Audio)

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- We recommend selecting **Stereo** and **16 Bit Samples**, and setting the **Sampling Rate** to "44.1 kHz" to capture high quality audio. It is important to note what settings you capture audio in, as you will need to use the same settings in your editing application.
- Activate your audio input source.
- Select Audio Preview to verify that your connections are attached correctly. If you are not using Balanced Audio, make sure that it is not checked so that audio can be heard during preview.
- Click **OK** to close the Audio Control Panel.

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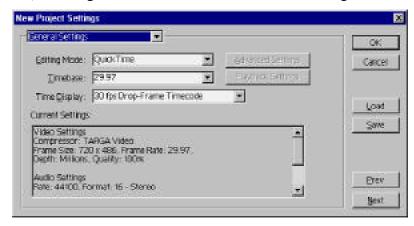
Start-Up Adobe Premiere

— Launch Adobe Premiere (Start » Programs » Adobe » Premiere 5).

Set Adobe Premiere Project Settings

Before you can capture video with the TARGA 1000, various project settings need to be made within Adobe Premiere so that the TARGA 1000 "knows" what to do. The settings are for:

- General (editing mode, timebase, time display)
- Video
- Audio
- Keyframe and Rendering Options
- Capture
- Open the Project Settings dialog window by pulling down the **PROJECT** MENU, scrolling to the **SETTINGS** submenu, and selecting **GENERAL**.



— Select the options as follows:

• Editing Mode: QUICKTIME

• Timebase: 29.97

• Time Display: 30 FPS DROP-FRAME TIMECODE

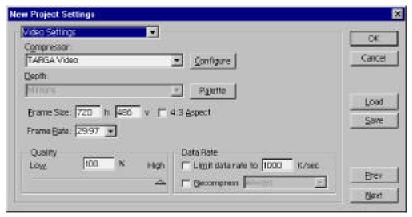
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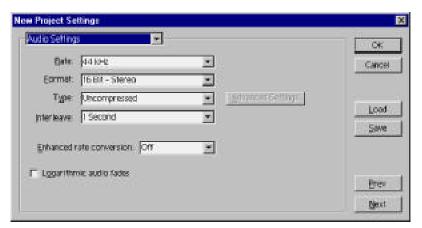
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— From the pull-down within the New Project Settings dialog window select **VIDEO SETTINGS**.



- Select the options as follows:
 - Compressor: TARGA VIDEO
 - Frame Size: 720 h 486 v with aspect ratio unchecked
 - Frame Rate: 29.97Quality: 100%
- From the pull-down within the New Project Settings dialog window select AUDIO SETTINGS.



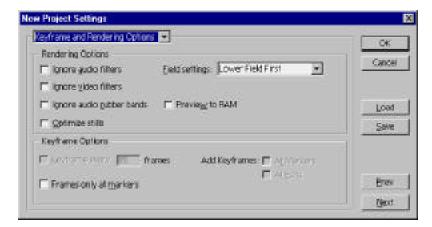
— Select the options as follows:

• Rate: 44 KHz

• Format: 16 BIT - STEREO
• Interleave: 1 SECOND

• Enhanced rate conversion: OFF

— From the pull-down within the New Project Settings dialog window select KEYFRAME AND RENDERING OPTIONS.



 Select LOWER FIELD FIRST for the Field Settings. None of the other options are needed for this tutorial

For interlaced display, odd and even numbered scan lines are separated into two groups, called fields. LOWER FIELD FIRST is for NTSC or PAL. What this means is when a frame is displayed, one field is scanned first. Then the system goes back to the top of the screen and scans the other field.

Note: Do not use "Optimize Stills" for the TARGA format.

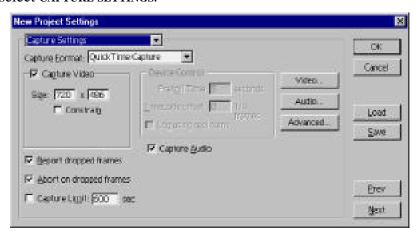
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— From the pull-down within the New Project Settings dialog window select CAPTURE SETTINGS.



- Select the options as follows:
 - Capture Format: QUICKTIME CAPTURE
 - Capture Video: Should be checked (click on box with mouse)
 - Size: 720 x 486 with constrain unchecked
 - Abort on dropped frames: Should be checked
 - Capture Audio: Should be checked only if your source is using audio

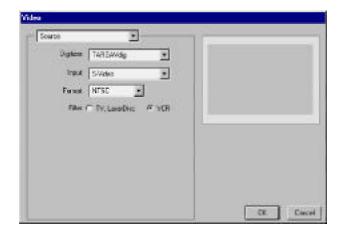
REPORT DROPPED FRAMES is a popular option, and a good way to zoom in on a realistic throughput. Keep it selected. When it is selected, an Adobe Premiere dialog window will appear after video capture displaying the number of frames dropped (if any) during the capture process.

Next you need to set how the TARGA 1000 compresses and controls images. This is done by way of the Video dialog window.

Set Adobe Premiere Video Settings

Once all the Project Settings have been made, you need to set how the TARGA 1000 compresses and controls images. This is done by way of the Video dialog window.

- —From capture settings within the "New Project Settings" dialog window, click on the **VIDEO** button. The Video dialog window will be displayed.
- —From the pull-down window within the Video dialog window, select **SOURCE**. The Video-Source dialog window will be displayed.



—Select the options as follows:

• Digitizer: TARGAVdig

• Input: Depending on your TARGA board type, your choices can be:

- S-Video (Y/C)
- Composite Video

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- Component RGB
- Component RGB-Sync
- Component YUV (BetaCAM)

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- Format: NTSC (or PAL if you are using PAL equipment)
- Filter: These two buttons actually control the PLL (Phase Lock Loop) mode of the decoder. The PLL is handling a tape artifact known as "head switching," which is especially noticeable on Hi-8 tapes (due to the density of the tapes). VCR's have a broad range and thus a low-quality video signal. The VCR filter is a circuit that locks onto a poor video source and minimizes distortion of the image and colors. If your source is a VCR, use this filter.

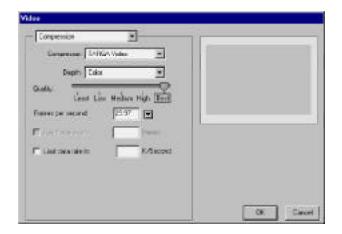
TV and Laser Disc have a narrow range and thus a high-quality video signal. If your source is a laser disc, video camera, or other high-quality source, use the "TV, Laser Disc" filter.

— If all your settings are correct, there should be video at your output source, but not in the preview box on the dialog window since TARGA 1000 does not support video in this manner.

Note: If there is no video at your output source device, then your input does not match your video source. Select another input source or change your video source cabling.

If you don't see a picture at your output device after waiting about 20 seconds, close and reopen the "Video" dialog window for **SOURCE**. If this doesn't work, then check your cables and video source, then consult the **Troubleshooting** section of this manual. Remember to close the "Video" dialog window before adjusting your cables.

—From the pull-down window within the Video dialog window, select **COMPRESSION**. The Video-Compression dialog window will be displayed.



— Select the options as follows:

• Compressor: TARGA VIDEO

• Depth: Color

• Quality Slider: Best

• Frames Per Second: 29.97

For now set the QUALITY at "Best" and do not limit the data rate. As you gain a working knowledge of the TARGA 1000, you might want to experiment with the relationship between the LIMIT DATA RATE and QUALITY slider settings. Used in combination, these tools can give you some real power and flexibility to achieve the best trade-off of image quality vs. storage space.

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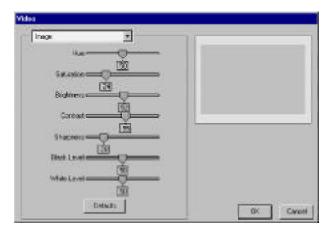
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—From the pull-down window within the Video dialog window, select IMAGE. The Video-Image dialog window will be displayed.

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— The slider controls are as follows:

Note: If Component RGB, Component RGB-Sync, or Component YUV is selected as source input, only the Brightness and Contrast sliders are active.

- Hue -- The property of pure color. The hues are the primary colors of red, green, and blue and their complements of cyan, magenta, and yellow. A hue has only one wavelength associated with it while a blend of hues, such as white, has multiple wavelengths. Therefore, white and black are colors but not hues. The Hue control adjusts the subcarrier phase so that the displayed "color" agrees with your conception. An example is the flesh tone of a person. This can be adjusted over a gamut of red to green.
- Saturation -- The ratio of the Hue component to the White component. Another term for this is purity. The lower the white content the more saturated or pure the color. This controls the

Chrominance Gain independent of the Luminance Gain. Decreasing the saturation moves the hue to a pastel shade.

- Brightness -- This is the amount of overall luminance perceived. Increasing "brightness" increases the amount of white light added to a picture reducing the saturation or purity of an image. Brightness implements a DC offset in the picture content.
- Contrast -- The contrast controls both luminance and chrominance to preserve the purity while increasing the "brightness" of an image. Contrast is the overall gain control.
- Sharpness -- (May not be available depending on your TARGA type.) Sharpness controls the contrast at a boundary within an image. As such, it is an attribute of the luminance bandwidth. Increasing "sharpness" increases the luminance bandwidth.
- Black Level -- This is the level at which the display is cut off and no image is seen. This can be adjusted to have a "setup" pedestal (standard NTSC/PAL) or no "setup" pedestal (Japanese NTSC).
- White Level -- The white level is the threshold value above which pixels are considered white. As the White Level is decreased, more pixels are turned white.
- Defaults Button -- revert the image settings to those shown.

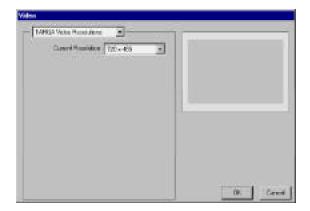
—Depending on your TARGA board type, TARGA VIDEO RESOLUTIONS may or may not be available. From the pull-down window within the Video dialog window, select TARGA VIDEO RESOLUTIONS. The Video Resolutions dialog window will be displayed.

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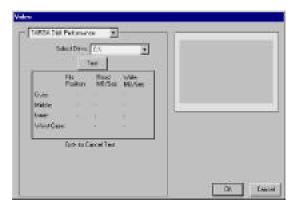
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The Video Resolutions dialog allows you to set the resolution size for the fields within the capture frame. Depending on your TARGA board type, your choices are:

- NTSC 720 x 480 (primarily for CD-ROM use)
- NTSC 720 x 486 (NTSC CCIR-601)
- —From the pull-down window within the Video dialog window, select **TARGA DISK PERFORMANCE**. The Video-Disk Performance dialog window will be displayed.



- The disk performance test is designed to simulate video activity to the disk drive that you are capturing video to. The test provides an estimate of the achievable read and write data rates which are accurate to within about ±15%. Click on the "Test" button to check your capture drive.
- Click ok to return to the capture settings within the "New Project Settings" dialog window, then click ok again to close the dialog window.

Set Adobe Premiere Scratch Disk Preferences

Your video needs to be recorded onto the fastest drive available to achieve the best quality video capture and playback. In Adobe Premiere, incoming video and temporary files are recorded to your Scratch *Disks*.

— Choose your scratch disk by pulling down the FILE MENU, scrolling to the PREFERENCES submenu, and selecting SCRATCH DISK/DEVICE CONTROL.



- Set the "Temp/Captured Movies" and "Video Preview Temps" to your video disk volume. Also make sure that "Audio Temps" are set to the audio scratch drive. All temp drives that you select should already be optimized.
- Click ok.

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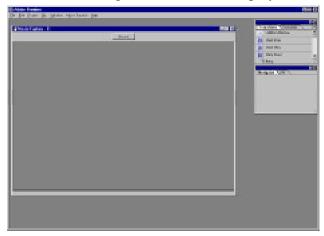
Capturing Video

Now that your video settings have been made, you can record (capture) video to the disk drive that you indicated in "Set Adobe Premiere Scratch Disk Preferences" above.

— Pull down the FILE menu to "Capture" and then select the MOVIE CAPTURE from the submenu.

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— The MOVIE CAPTURE dialog window will be displayed.



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Record Video

— A **RECORD VIDEO** option is located in the **MOVIE CAPTURE** menu. Make sure that this option is enabled (checked).

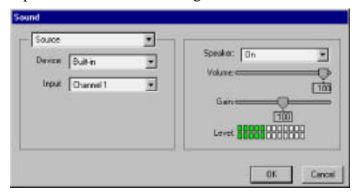
Record Audio

— A RECORD AUDIO option is located in the MOVIE CAPTURE menu. If you want to have audio with your video make sure that this option is enabled (checked).

Audio Recording

The audio settings made in Adobe Premiere must match the settings made in the TARGA Control Panel for audio, and also must match the sound options in the QuickTime Control Panel. <u>The Volume and Gain adjustments are controlled in the TARGA Audio Control Panel</u>. <u>They have no effect when used from Premiere</u>.

— If you are recording audio, from the MOVIE CAPTURE menu select AUDIO. From the pull-down within the dialog window select SOURCE.



- Select the options as follows:
 - Device: BUILT IN with speakers set to ON

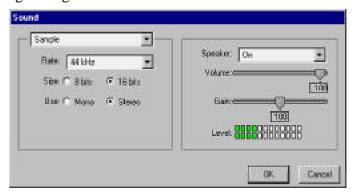
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— From the pull-down within the dialog window select **SAMPLE** and use the following settings:

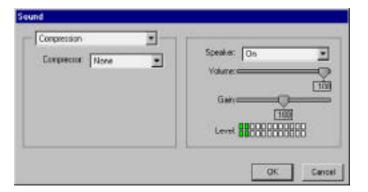


• Rate: 44 kHz

• Size: 16 BIT - STEREO

• Use: STEREO

— From the pull-down within the dialog window select **COMPRESSION** and use the following settings:



• Compressor: NONE

— Click ox to close the Sound Dialog.

Set The QuickTime Audio Options

— Launch the QuickTime Control Panel (Start » Settings » Control Panel » QuickTime) and set the audio options to match what you are using.





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Record Movie

—Click **RECORD** in the **MOVIE CAPTURE** window. Let it record for about ten seconds. Click the mouse button or press the Escape (Esc) key to stop. A "Clip Window" will appear.

Playback and Save Clip

- —Click the play icon at the bottom of the Clip Window. The TARGA 1000 will playback the video at full size to the output device (e.g., video monitor). Select SAVE within the FILE menu, give the file (clip) a name, and click the SAVE button. Then close the Clip Window.
- **RECORD**, playback, and **SAVE** a few clips (at least three). You will use three of the clips to make a movie.
- —Close all of the Clip Windows, and close the Movie Capture Window. Proceed to "Lesson 3: Making Movies."

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LESSON 3: MAKING MOVIES

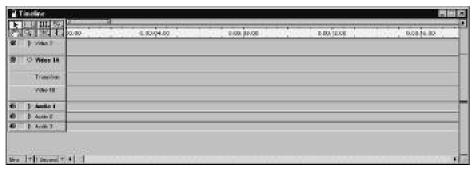
Movies made in Adobe Premiere are created from captured video clips. To begin making a movie, you must first assemble the clips you wish to use into a Project file. The Project Window displays the clips in the Project file while you perform the various tasks of making your movie.

- —To load a clip into Premiere for use in a movie, select the File Menu > Import > File command (or press the <CONTROL> key and "I" key). This will open the usual Windows File Load dialog box. Use this to locate the clips you made earlier in this tutorial.
- Select one of the three clips you made, and click **OPEN**. Notice the clip appears as a thumbnail in a Project Window similar to the one shown below with information such as clip duration, audio settings, and resolution. Repeat this process for the other two clips that you made.
- The Project Window should be active. From the FILE menu select SAVE, give your project a file name, and then click the SAVE button.



Once you've selected the clips you want to use, you need to assemble them in the Timeline Window.

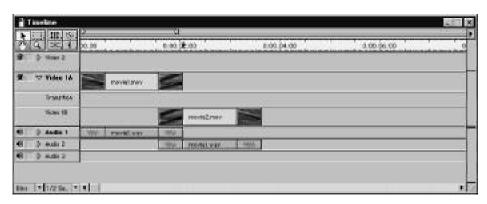
— If the Timeline Window is not displayed on your screen, select "Timeline" from the Windows menu within Adobe Premiere.



Note: If the Video 1A track is not collapsed (Transition track not shown), click on the triangle so that it points downward (as shown in the illustration above).

The simplest way to place a clip in the Timeline Window is to drag and drop from the Project Window. When you place the mouse pointer over a movie thumbnail, you will notice the pointer turns into a hand. Click and hold left the mouse button to "grab" a clip so you can drag it to the Timeline Window.

- Grab the first clip from the Project Window and drag it to Video Track "A" in the Timeline Window. Position the clip all the way to the left of the window.
- Repeat this step with the second clip, but place the clip on Track "B," and leave a short overlap with the clip on Track "A." The Timeline Window should then look similar to this:



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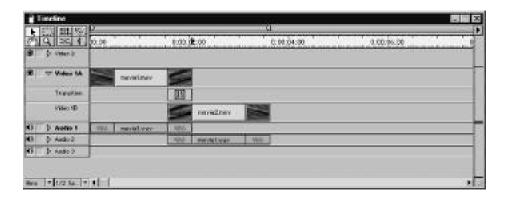
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Next, you will add a transition to the Timeline Window. A transition is a way to change from clip to clip without an abrupt switch.

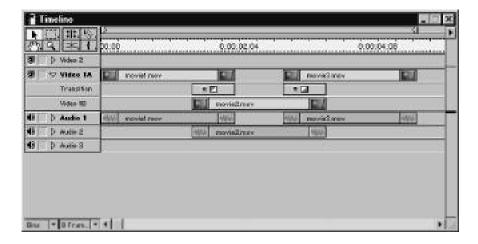
- Locate the Transition Window. If it is not displayed on your screen, select "Transitions" from the Windows Menu.
- Locate the transition called "Barn Doors."
- You place a transition the same way you place a movie clip, by "grabbing" it with the hand cursor. Drag the transition to the overlap of the two movie clips, on the track marked "T" (for Transitions).

The Timeline Window should look something like:



Notice how the transition automatically sizes itself to fit the overlap. If it does not snap to the clip edges, place the cursor on the edge of the transition. It will change into a stretch tool allowing you to adjust the edges of the transition to line up with the clip edges. You can also double-click on the transition to check its settings (Track A to Track B).

— Add the third clip using the above methods, placing it on Track "A," with a slight overlap to the second clip on Track "B." Place the Cross Dissolve transition between the overlaps. Remember, if you want a transition to occur between two clips, the clips must be on separate tracks. If not, Premiere will just abruptly switch to the next clip when the current one runs out. View the following Timeline Window for an example of how it should look like so far:



Previewing Your Movie

Once you have placed the parts of your movie, it is time to preview it. Do the following:

- First stretch the Work Area bar (blue bar) at the top of the Timeline Window to the end of the final clip in your movie. The blue bar is a selection tool, like a lasso or marquee, and defines the active portion or "Work Area" of the Timeline Window, telling Premiere how much of your project you want to preview.
- Hit <Enter> to build the preview.

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— Premiere will build a preview of what you've done so far, and open the preview in a Preview Window.

Important: The preview will play material compressed with the QuickTime CODEC TARGA Video to the video monitor. Material not compressed with TARGA Video, such as transitions, will appear in the Preview Window. Effects and transitions play in real-time from the Adobe Premiere Timeline Window. If you need to output movies to tape larger than 2GB in size, you can put multiple 2GB files in the Timeline and use Print To Video.

— You should play your movie from the Timeline Window for seamless video. This is the recommended way to output long movies to tape.

Compiling Movies

Adobe Premiere allows you to compile movies that you want to use with another application, or put into another format besides MOV. When you make a movie, Premiere constructs a single MOV file from your clips and transitions, and saves it to your hard disk. Premiere will also open your finished movie after it has been compiled. To compile a movie, follow these steps:

Note: There is a 2 Gigabyte size limit (9.5 minutes) for movies played from a file.

- From the FILE » EXPORT » MOVIE » SETTINGS BUTTON, select "Video Settings" from the pull-down menu of the Export Movie Settings dialog window and check the settings. "TARGA Video" should be your compressor method, and the frames per second should be either 29.97 (NTSC users) or 25 (PAL users). The frame size should be 720 x 486.
- From the pull-down menu of the Export Movie Settings dialog window, select "General Settings" and check the settings. The File Type should be "QuickTime," the Range should be "Entire Project." "Export Video," "Export Audio," and "Open When Finished" should be checked. The Current Settings should be what you have previously selected for this tutorial. Click SAVE, name your movie "Mine.MOV" and then click OK. Click OK again to close the Export Movie Settings dialog window.

It may take some time to compile the entire movie, but Premiere will update you frequently on how long it may take. When Premiere is finished, the new movie will open in a clip window, and also be saved on your hard disk.

— In the lower left corner of the Movie Window is the play button. Click this once to watch the movie you've just created on your video monitor.

Saving Your Capture Settings

Before you finish, you need to save your Project Settings.. You may recall that at the beginning of Lesson 2 you created various "Project Settings" for the movie that you played in Lesson 3. The Project Settings you created can be saved and used again when you are making more movies, thus saving you from creating the same Project Settings again. The Project Settings can be saved as follows:

— Open the Project Settings dialog window by pulling down the **PROJECT MENU**, scrolling to the **SETTINGS** submenu, and selecting **GENERAL**. A dialog window similar to the one below will be displayed:



— Select either "29.97" fps if you're using NTSC, or "25" fps for PAL. If you have a custom application that uses a different time base, select the appropriate one.

Note: If you are using NTSC and playback is jerky, check that your playback is 29.97 instead of 30.

— Make sure that the settings for **VIDEO**, **AUDIO**, **KEYFRAME AND RENDERING**, and **CAPTURE** are correct by selecting each one from the pull-down menu within the dialog window.

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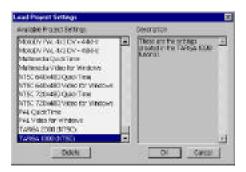
— Click on the save button. This will allow you to add your settings to the "Load Project Settings" selection box (accessed via the LOAD button) for future use. You will be presented with a dialog box asking you to name and describe the Project Settings to be saved.



Name the project TARGA 1000 (NTSC), type a brief description of the project, and then click ox. Now the project will be available to you each time Premiere is launched.

- Click ок to close the Project Setting dialog window.
- **Save** and close the Project window.

You can use the saved Project settings to make TARGA 1000 movies in the future by pulling down the FILE menu to the NEW submenu, selecting **PROJECT**, and then clicking on the LOAD button.



You will have several Project Settings to choose from, including the one you just created. Feel free to save as many Project Settings as you need.

This concludes the tutorial. Anyone interested in a more comprehensive understanding of Adobe Premiere should consult the Adobe Premiere User's Guide and Tutorial accompanying the Premiere software. Also available from Adobe is the "Classroom in a Book," which includes a CD with several step by step tutorials.

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ANSWERS TO FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Listed below are the most frequently asked questions about the TARGA 1000 received by our Technical Support staff. The answers to each question are in italics. Please read this section to become more familiar with our product, and possibly save yourself a phone call to Pinnacle Technical Support.

1. What are the best drives for use with the TARGA 1000? How do I configure them? Why and when do I need a SCSI card or disk array? Which SCSI card is best for use with the TARGA 1000?

Pinnacle's FaxBack service has a list of drives and controller cards tested as working well with the TARGA 1000. The important things to remember are to use equipment that is Fast-Wide (or Ultra Wide) SCSI II, and PCI bus. AV (Audio-Video) rated drives will have even better performance. Check with the disk manufacturer to configure the drive for peak performance.

2. What data rates do I need for (Composite/S-VHS/Betacam) I/O?

For the hobbyist or semiprofessional videographer, Composite VHS quality 2.0 - 3.5 MB/sec should be enough to meet the requirements. The industrial videographer working with Hi 8 or S-VHS mediums will need a data transfer rate of 3.0 to 4.5 MB/sec. For the broadcast professional data throughput is a critical variable. For the broadcaster, the data rates should sustain 4.5 - 5.5 MB/sec. Preferably you should be working with a first generation Betacam SP or RGB source. As a general rule, the cleaner your input signal is, the cleaner your video capture is going to be. Motion JPEG compression is sensitive to noise introduced in multiple tape dubs. Whenever possible, use the first generation source as your capture material.

3. Can the TARGA 1000 output broadcast quality video?

TARGA 1000 meets all the NTSC and PAL timing requirements for both square pixel and non-square pixel CCIR 601 resolutions. However, it is important that you start with broadcast quality material, and have a system capable of maintaining broadcast quality data rates (4.5 - 5.5 MB/sec). For optimum quality video, a TARGA 1000 Pro is the minimum recommended to provide Component level video (i.e., RGB, Betacam, and SMPTE/EBU).

4. How do I use the TARGA 1000 with third party audio cards?

Select and load the appropriate driver from the Multimedia icon in the Windows Control Panels folder, opened by clicking Start, highlighting Settings, and selecting Control Panel. However, the TARGA 1000 should always be used as the audio device.

5. Why can't I capture square pixel PAL 768 x 576 resolution on my TARGA 1000 Pro PCI?

The TARGA 1000 Pro PCI has been optimized for CCIR 601 (non-square pixel) resolution. By definition that means 720 x 486 for NTSC and 720 x 576 for PAL. TARGA 2000 DTX and RTX support all square and non-square pixel resolutions for the PAL market.

6. What PC clones do you support?

Pinnacle maintains a list of compatibility tested machines in our FaxBack system. The number for FaxBack is (800) 522-TRUE. Your machine must fully support the PCI 2.1 specifications.

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7. What are the best settings for Previews in Premiere?

Follow the guidelines mapped out in the TARGA 1000 PCI tutorial. If you still have problems please contact our Technical Support for assistance.

8. What applications work with the TARGA 1000?

The TARGA 1000 works with any standard Windows QuickTime or Video For Windows application and is suited best to desktop video editing. Any Windows applications such as Adobe Photoshop, PhotoMorph, or Fractal Design Painter will benefit from the 24-bit desktop, and any QuickTime or Video For Windows aware application such as VidCap and VidEdit will run with the TARGA 1000. However, the main applications utilized on the TARGA 1000 are nonlinear editing software apps such as Adobe Premiere and Media Studio from U-Lead.

9. Will I use my VGA display for the desktop functions of the TARGA 1000?

Yes, your computer will still need a VGA card.

10. How much disk space is required to record (X...) amount of video?

At a compression ratio of approximately 10 to 1, and a data rate of 2MB per second (S-VHS quality), one minute of video takes up approximately 90MB of storage space. For example, 10 minutes of video would take approximately 900MB or almost 1 Gigabyte. Don't forget that you will be recording into a scratch file and then saving the video to a permanent file.

11. Why is the hard drive so important?

There are a number of hardware considerations that can influence your movie recording ability. Some involve the speed at which you can capture video frames while others affect image quality.

The primary criteria for evaluating digital components of your system is their ability to keep pace with the stream of data, both video and audio. The NTSC full frame resolution is 640 x 480 pixels, for a total of 307,200 pixels. At 30 frames per second, that's 9,216,000 pixels per second. At 24 bits per pixel, that's 26.4MB per second. (PAL is higher). Furthermore, adding sound can increase the data rate by up to 192K per second (stereo at 48 kHz, 16-bit resolution).

Compression and resolution reduction can bring the data rate within range, but for best quality movies, you'll want to work as high in the range as possible. Use a CPU and disk drive capable of high data rates. They are essential to keeping pace with a steady stream of movie data. (Consider a parallel disk array for fast-access mass storage.)

In addition, it is imperative that you optimize and defragment your disk before video recording. This will create contiguous blocks of disk space that can be accessed more quickly. Disk fragmentation slows disk access, which can affect recording and playback. And as the disk nears capacity, this problem increases. Use a disk with a large amount of free space and use a disk utility program to defragment your hard disk.

12. What criteria should be considered when purchasing a hard drive?

1) Average Access and Seek Times (ms)

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- time in milliseconds to find and retrieve data on the disk
- a digital video drive with numbers below 15ms (under 10ms is best).
- 2) Average Latency (ms)
 - delay for the drive platter to spin to the correct position
 - a digital video drive should have numbers below 6ms and drive spin rates of at least 5,400 rpm. (7,200 rpm is better)
- 3) Average Throughput (MB/sec)
 - the consistent data rate throughput to the drive
 - a digital video drive should perform at 3MB/sec or higher
- 4) MTBF (Mean Time Between Failures)
 - average number of usage hours before failure
 - a digital video drive has a hard life because you are constantly reading and writing large amounts of data with a high data throughput rate
 - average MTBF should be about 300,000 hours, longer is better

For digital video a minimum 1GB hard drive with <15ms access time is recommended. A SCSI-2 or Fast/Wide SCSI-2 PCI controller is required to transfer these amounts of data. Of course, as you increase the quality of the video compression and audio digitizing you also increase the needs of your system components.

13. What tips or techniques will improve the quality of my digital video?

Desktop video digitizing products that use real-time compression/decompression hardware to achieve full-motion, full-frame capture of video to hard disk are especially sensitive to video noise due to the compression algorithms being used. As a result, you will achieve best performance by using higher quality video cameras (S-VHS and Hi-8) with S-Video connections, or RGB and component (broadcast quality) video equipment with a TARGA 1000 Pro board.

Be aware that generation loss will degrade video digitizing performance. Do not record tape-to-tape and then use second generation video to digitize to your computer hard disk. Always use original video footage to record to hard disk. Low light conditions during the shooting of video will degrade video resolution and image quality; shooting video with lots of light will maintain a maximum overall video signal to noise ratio.

Compression is additive. This means that loss introduced by video compression is additive. For example, if you are compositing multiple layers of video together, save each layer as a movie with no compression (or with a maximum quality setting). Do your video compositing with the uncompressed video, and then, once your are done make a final movie with an appropriate target compression method.

If you are shooting video that will ultimately be pressed to CD-ROM, think about the actual video production. The CD-ROM author achieves

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best playback performance with video that has the following characteristics:

- No fast movement of objects in video
- Large low frequency areas (large areas with little detail, like blue sky, black backgrounds, or white wall backdrops
- Head shots and other objects of interest should fill the video frame (small objects and minute detail may be lost in the compression process)

Always capture video clips to a pre-allocated defragmented scratch file. This saves the system overhead in finding, allocating, and seeking new sectors as the video is being recorded.

Appendix A — Troubleshooting

TARGA 1000 TROUBLESHOOTING

Occasionally, you may have a problem while using your Pinnacle TARGA 1000 system. This Appendix covers potential situations and describes steps you can take to identify and correct them. TARGA 1000 troubleshooting in this Appendix is subdivided into the following categories:

- General Problems
- IRQ Problems
- Video Monitor Problems
- Video Input Problems
- Video Capture Problems
- Audio Problems
- Playback Problems
- Error Messages

Important: If your problem is not solved by this Troubleshooting section, additional help can be obtained from the Pinnacle Customer Satisfaction Center. Refer to the Customer Satisfaction Center section later in this Chapter.

General Problems

TARGA 1000 driver is not loaded (Error 103)

If you get a message saying that the TARGA driver is not loaded you can load the driver into the system by using the path: My Computer » (C:) » Targa1k » Misc » Install » Loaddrv.exe and double clicking the file "Loaddrv.exe"

Adobe Premiere corrupted (Not working properly)

 Some problems occur because the Premiere preferences file is damaged. You can test for this by disabling the preferences file. In Windows, exit Premiere and move the Prem50.prf file from the folder

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in which you installed Premiere to the desktop. If the problem doesn't appear the next time you start Premiere, you may delete the preferences file. If the problem still exists, the preferences file may not be faulty and may be moved back to its original location. (If prompted, allow the original preferences file to overwrite any newer version created by Premiere.)

Can't open TARGA control panels

- 1. Verify that the board is correctly installed.
- 2. Make sure Control Panels aren't open and backgrounded in Windows NT. If a panel is open and hidden, other Control Panels may not open.
- 3. Make sure driver the is loaded.
- 4. Make sure Overlay is off (if accessing from within another capture application).

You have a SCSI boot drive (internal) and an A/V drive (external). Your data rates are not great and occasionally the system freezes and lockups

Your problem is probably related to SCSI Termination. You should always use an active terminator on the end of your SCSI chain. Another problem in this scenario is that you may have placed your SCSI card in the middle of your SCSI chain. The best alternative will be to move your external A/V drive into the machine and add it to the end of the internal SCSI ribbon cable. This will keep all the data moving in one direction with the source on one end (i.e. SCSI controller) and with destinations (i.e., hard drives) on the other. Although the SCSI controller manufacturers show the original configuration as a viable one, sustained high data-throughput negates this option. Also use an active terminator. Most drives typically include only passive termination.

Audio and Video not in sync

- 1. Increase the compression ratio (which will decrease your data rate).
- 2. Reduce your audio sampling rate.
- 3. Make sure you are using the TARGA sound drivers.
- 4. If you have a sound card installed, remove it.
- 5. Check the "Wave Output" Adjustment in the TARGA Audio Control Panel.

Poor performance

- 1. For best performance, capture the video and audio to a second hard disk (i.e., a 7200 rpm ultra-wide hard disk or Ultra-Wide SCSI disk that does not have the operating system or any software installed on it).
- 2. Use Dual-Channel Bus-Mastering Ultra-Wide SCSI Controllers with Windows 32-bit drivers.
- 3. Some NTSC systems prefer a timebase of 29.97 frames per second as opposed to 30 fps, or vice versa when using video-editing software. If video capture or playback appears to jitter, change your NTSC capture rate from 30 to 29.97 or vice versa.
- 4. Since the TARGA captures two fields of video for each frame, high-motion frames will appear to jitter when they are grabbed or still-framed. This is normal and occurs with any product, high-end or low-end, that captures two fields per frame. During normal video playback, this technique makes motion look smoother and more realistic, indicating a high-quality capture system.

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IRQ Problems

IRQ (Interrupt ReQuest) conflict

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Troubleshooting And Contacting Pinnacle — The most common problem encountered when you install PC hardware of any type is the limited number of Interrupt ReQuests (IRQs) available to expansion cards. Most expansion cards require at least one IRQ, and sometimes more. If you have an IRQ conflict, you can resolve it by telling the conflicting device to use a different IRQ. Consult your Windows Help or manual on hardware conflicts.

Note: Use IRQ's of 9 or higher that are not in use by other devices.

You notice that the Windows NT Diagnostics says that another card is sharing an IRQ with the SCSI controller

— It is true that Windows NT can handle shared IRQs, but if the proceeding scenario is the case, expect your data rate to be halved. Remove any peripheral cards except for your VGA card, your SCSI controller card and your TARGA 1000. If this solves the speed issue then you can add back your other cards being careful to "manually" assign ISA IRQ's to the appropriate cards, while leaving as many IRQ's available to peripherals on the PCI bus.

You tried to provide the TARGA card and the SCSI controller a non-shared IRQ but it always ends up shared. Your BIOS does not allow you to assign IRQ's

— Try reordering the cards in your PCI slots. Try to give the TARGA card the first/primary PCI slot. This should ensure that the TARGA gets a clean non-shared IRQ. The next slot should be the SCSI controller followed by your VGA card. This will give you the ideal slot priority.

Note: Systems with 440 BX and GX motherboards always share resources on PCI slots 1 and 4. Manufacturers may force sharing on other slots as well.

Monitor Problems

Output Video Monitor Black

- 1. Check Monitor power.
- 2. Check Break Out Box connection and all cables connected to the Breakout Box.
- 3. From the Video Input or Output dialog box hold <Ctrl> and select "show color bars" to test output.
- 4. Check the Video Source window in your application.
- 5. Check the card installation. Make sure it is firmly inserted into the PCI slot.
- 6. Check the cables. Make sure they are plugged into both the card and monitor.
- 7. Reinstall the TARGA software.

Video Input Problems (Pass Through)

Live video does not work

- 1. Verify that your output is working.
- 2. Verify that you have all of the software components correctly installed.
- 3. Make sure the software is set to match your video format and source signal.
 - NTSC or PAL format, and RGB, S-Video, Composite signal, or etc.

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- 4. Check your video source.
 - Some video cameras shut off automatically after a few minutes.
- 5. If you're using a Break Out Box, check Break Out Box connection and all cables connected to the Break Out Box.
- 6. Check the cable from the video source to your multimedia card.

Video Capture Problems

Capture not working

- 1. Verify input (pass through) is working.
- 2. Reboot the system.
- 3. Check by using another capture application.

TARGA card records nothing or a few frames

- 1. Reboot the system.
- 2. Verify that all necessary software is installed.
- 3. Check the video signal and cabling. Video should be playing on video monitor before you try to record.
- 4. Make sure you are capturing to your "AV" Drive, and that it is not full.
- 5. Lower the data rate.

Drop frames on record

- 1. Increase the compression ratio (which will decrease your data rate).
- 2. Try capturing just the video (turn off the audio).
- 3. Set your "AV" drive as the "Scratch Disk" within your video editing application.
- 4. Do not select a removable media drive (e.g., backup drive) as your "AV" drive.

Audio Problems

No sound

- 1. Make sure TARGA is set up as the preferred device in the "Audio Tab" of the Multimedia Control Panel.
- 2. Make sure the speakers are connected to the TARGA "Audio Out."
- 3. Make sure the output is working by playing a system sound file in the Sound Control Panel.
- 4. Make sure sound is not turned down or muted on your output device.
- 5. Verify that audio was captured.

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You record audio in mono, but when you play back there doesn't seem to be any audio

— Check the audio connections to make sure everything is properly cabled (the right channel is used for mono input). Make sure Mute is off in the Audio Control Panel. Also check the Playback slider bars for adequate settings, and check the volume setting on any external controllers.

You are working with audio peripherals and monitoring devices that support balanced audio, but your TARGA 1000 or TARGA 1000 Pro support unbalanced audio input and output

— Use a good quality transformer with appropriate adapter connectors and wiring when converting from balanced to unbalanced audio. The better the transformer, the better the chance that it can sense the impedance level and compensate for the loads to match signal levels from input to output.

Audio output crackles or pops

- 1. Audio output level may be too high; turn down audio amplification for the Audio (i.e., set volume lower). Settings for unity in the Audio Control Panel should be 0 for record amplification and 26 for playback (attenuation).
- 2. Decrease the input level (or gain) within the movie editing application.
- 3. Input from device may be "hot." Reduce the audio level at the input device.

Playback Problems

Movie doesn't play smoothly or pauses intermittently

- 1. Check that the correct playback format is used: NTSC or PAL
- 2. Verify the movie frame rate (30 fps for NTSC; 25 for PAL).
- 3. Free as much RAM as possible. (Quit other applications.)
- 4. Check that no other background programs are running.
- 5. Verify that the movie is playing from the "AV" drive.

Can't playback captured movie

- 1. If applicable, try playing the file back in another application such as MediaPlayer or TARGA AVI Player If the file plays, then the QuickTime or VFW application may be corrupted. If the file does not play, then the file may be corrupted.
- 2. Check that the application's playback feature is correctly set.
- 3. Make sure the TARGA software is correctly installed.
- 4. Reinstall the movie editing software (it may have gotten corrupted).

Problems when recording to VCR

- 1. Make sure output is working.
- 2. Check cabling.
- 3. Make sure VCR is set to use the line inputs (see VCR documentation).

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Error Messages

You get the following error message: "cannot allocate DVR buffers"

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— In the rare instance where an application that uses the TARGA 1000 board unexpectedly quits, you may see this message. In order to recover, try restarting your machine and applications.

You get the following error message "cannot allocate enough DVR memory for compression buffers"

— This happens when you try to run more than one application that uses the TARGA 1000 board. Applications such as Digital VCR or Premiere may need to enlist all of the on-board memory available on the board and therefore cannot be open at the same time.

After a capture or during a preview or render, Premiere complains that certain files are not accessible because they are "locked or in use"

 There are almost certainly background copies of Premiere consuming system resources.

You get an error message on your screen that says there is a problem related to error number X, where X is one of the error message numbers below:

- Find the error message number in the list, and note if there is a solution or action item provided. Those messages that do not show a specific action item simply require you to reboot your machine.
 - Error 1 Could not locate a TARGA board.
 - Error 3 PCI -- Bios mapped the board at a non 256MByte boundary or PCI—Bios mapped the board at 0x50000000
 - Error 5 Could not map BIC address space.

- Error 6 Could not map SLIC address space.
- Error 7 Could not map BEC address space.
- Error 8 Could not map HUB address space.
- Error 10 Illegal VRAM size detected.
- Error 11 Illegal DRAM size detected.
- Error 12 Could not map DVR DRAM address space.
- Error 13 Could not map DVR DRAM address space.
- Error 14 Illegal interrupt number. Valid interrupts are 0 through 15. PCI—BIOS assigned a bad interrupt number.
- Error 15 Windows NT —Could not create DVR interrupt
- Error 17 DVR.INI did not contain an IOModulePath statement.
- Error 18 The directory name pointed to by IOModuleSubdir was valid but no line with IoModuleSubdir=filename was found.
- Error 19 A MOD file has an incorrect format or was not found.
- Error 20 Could not execute an otherwise correct MOD file.
- Error 21 Could not read the DSP software file indicated by the LOADER=parameter in DVR.INI.
- Error 22 LOADER COFF file does not have the proper format.
- Error 24 A input MOD file has been used on an encoder, or an output MOD file has been used on a decoder.
- Error 25 Could not allocate enough host RAM to load DSP software LOADER.
- Error 26 Could not open the file specified by the LOADER=parameter in DVR.INI.
- Error 31 Could not read the DSP software file indicated by the KERNEL=parameter in DVR.INI.
- Error 33 KERNEL COFF file does not have the proper format.

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- Error 35 Could not allocate enough host RAM to load DSP software KERNEL.
- Error 39 Could not open the file specified by the KERNEL=parameter in DVR.INI.
- Error 40 Host timed out waiting, waiting for DSP to start.
- Error 101 Create Service on DVRNTSRV.SYS failed. Calling GetLastError may have more info.
- Error 102 Start Service on DVRNTSRV.SYS failed. Calling GetLastError may have more info.
- Error 103 Kernel-mode driver open call failed. Calling GetLastError may have more info.

PINNACLE CUSTOMER SATISFACTION CENTER

You can contact the Pinnacle Customer Satisfaction Center for additional help. Before contacting the Customer Satisfaction Center, please complete the Troubleshooting Questionnaire (below) and have the answers ready when you contact us.

Troubleshooting Questionnaire

Please have answers to the following questions before calling for additional help:

- 1. What are the serial numbers, model numbers, and software version numbers of the Pinnacle products that you have installed on your computer?
- 2. Which computer system are you using with the product listed in item 1 of this questionnaire?
- 3. What version of DOS or Windows are you using?
- 4. How much memory (RAM) is installed in your computer?
- 5. What Terminate and Stay Resident (TSR) programs do you have installed on your computer?
- 6. What other hardware is connected to your computer (multimedia cards, monitors, network cards, hard drives, etc.) and what resources do they use? Please include all relevant model numbers, ROM version numbers, and software version numbers, where applicable.
- 7. What are the steps to duplicate the problem?

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Contact Information

Online services are available 24 hours per day. Customer Satisfaction Center personnel are available Monday through Friday 9:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M. Eastern Time (1300 - 2200 Universal Time/GMT).

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On-Line Services

E-mail: truevision-support@pinnaclesys.com

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Fax Inquires

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Telephone Contact

Sales Information, Technical Support, FaxBack System (The FaxBack System is an automated system that allows you to obtain immediate information on products, price lists, bulletins, and upgrades.)

U.S. and Canada: (800) 522-TRUE {8783}

Worldwide: (317) 577-8788

Note: This information is subject to change. Check www.pinnaclesys.com on the web for the latest contact information.

Appendix B — Technical Specifications

TARGA 1000 SPECIFICATIONS*

General

Card Size12.3" x 4.2"

Regulatory ComplianceFCC Class B and CE

Memory (CA/V and Pro)

Frame Buffer Memory......4 MB VRAM

Offscreen Memory......16MB DRAM

Video Processor

Video Resizer2D filter

Video Compositor256 levels

Video Port Bandwidth640 x 480 x 30 fps (37 MB/sec)

780 x 576 x 25 fps (44 MB/sec)

Hardware BLITCA/V and Pro: 100 MB/sec

On-Board DSP (Digital Signal Processor)

Processor......AT&T 3210 Floating Point DSP

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Video Input Formats

Video InputsComposite and Y/C (S-Video)

Pro adds: GBRS, GsBR and Y, B-Y, R-Y (NTSC Betacam, SMPTE/EBU)

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Video Standards......CA/V: square pixel only NTSC or PAL

Pro adds: CCIR-601 support

Video ResolutionCA/V: 640 x 480, 648 x 486 NTSC square pixel

768 x 576 PAL square pixel

Pro adds: 720 x 486 NTSC CCIR 601

720 x 576 PAL CCIR 601

ADC Resolution8 bits

Sampling StructureCA/V: 4:2:2 YCbCr

Pro: 4:4:4 RGB

4:4:4 YUV subsampled to

4:2:2 YCbCr

Color Space ConversionYUV to 24-bit RGB (8:8:8)

Gamma Correction Tables.......256 x 8 bits for each primary (all models)

Genlock InputGenlock to input video (all models)

Video Outputs......CA/V: Composite and Y/C (S-Video)
Pro adds: GBRS, GsBR, Y,B-Y,R-Y

(NTSC Betacam or SMPTE/EBU N10 calibrate

specific)

*Composite CA/V:RCA 1 Volt p-p, 75 Ohm

*S-Video (4 Pin DIN)......Y Signal: 1 Volt p-p, 75 Ohm C Signal: 627 mV p-p, 75 Ohm

*ComponentY Signal: 1 V, p-p 75 Ohm

R-Y Signal: ± 350 mV p-p, 75 Ohm B-Y Signal: ± 350 mV p-p, 75 Ohm

Genlock InputGenlock to video input or via external

Video Standards......CA/V: NTSC or PAL

Pro adds: CCIR-601 support

Video ResolutionCA/V: 640 x 480, 648 x 486 NTSC square pixel 768 x 576 PAL square pixel

Pro adds: 720 x 486 NTSC CCIR-601, 720 x 576 PAL CCIR-601

Gamma Correction Tables......256 x 8 bits for each primary

DAC ResolutionCA/V: 10 bit Cv and Y/C

Pro adds: 8 bit RGB, Betacam or SMPTE/EBU

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Sampling StructureCA/V: 4:4:4 RGB Pro: 4:4:4 RGB and 4:4:4 YUV

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Audio Input/Output

ADC/DAC Resolution.....16 bits (all models)

Sampling RateUp to 48 kHz, 64X oversampling

Input Gain...... 0 to 22.5 in 1.5 dB steps (all models)

Output Attenuation0 to -45 dB in 1.5 dB steps (all models)

Compression/Decompression

Standard......Motion JPEG

Processor.....LS

Processor Clock Speed30 MHz

Fields per Second60 NTSC, 50 PAL

Compressed Data Rate*CA/V and Pro: Up to 5 MB/sec sustained on record

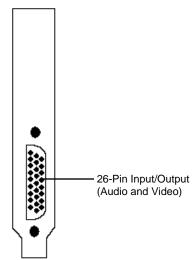
7MB/sec sustained on playback

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Input and output connectors on the TARGA 1000 card bracket are as follows:

TARGA 1000 PCI CA/V and Pro



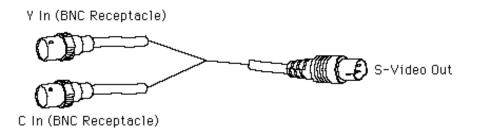
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CA-203 CABLE DIAGRAM

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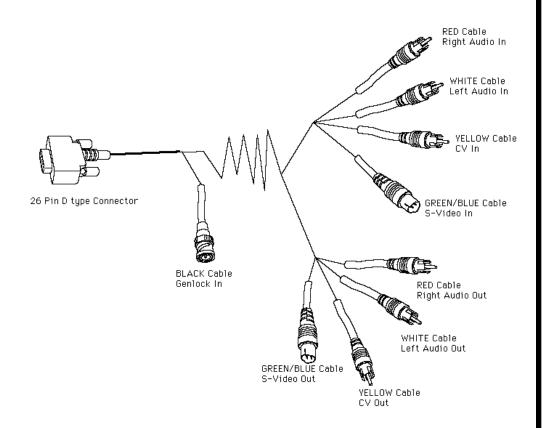
Cables And Connectors

The following is a diagram of the CA-203 cable. Two of these cables are used with the TARGA 1000 Pro. The CA-203 cable is used for hooking the CA-207 cable to S-Video jacks. Attach the CA-203 BNC receptacle labeled "Y" (Luminance) to the CA-207 BNC connector labeled "Y." Attach the CA-203 BNC receptacle labeled "C" (Chrominance) to the CA-207 BNC connector labeled "C." The resulting output through the 4-pin connector on the CA-203 will be S-Video.



CA-204 CABLE DIAGRAM

The diagram below shows the connector descriptions for Cable Number CA-204. The pin assignments for the 26-pin D-type connector are displayed on the next page. One CA-204 cable is included with the TARGA 1000 CA/V card.

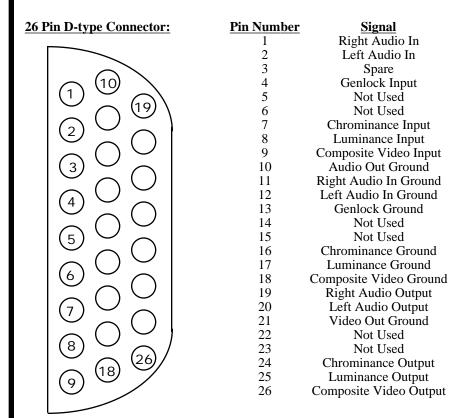


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CA-204 CONNECTOR DIAGRAM

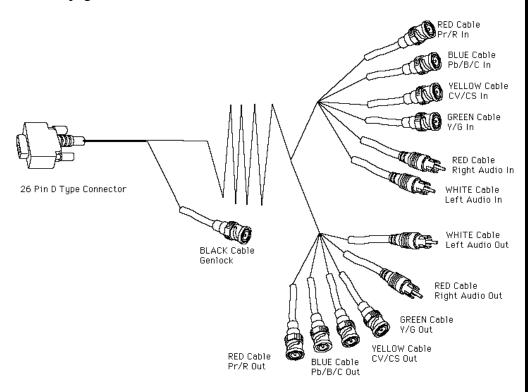
The diagram below shows the connector pin assignments for the 26-pin D-type connector on Cable Number CA-204 (described on the previous page).

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CA-207 CABLE DIAGRAM

The diagram below shows the connector descriptions for Cable Number CA-207. This cable is used with the TARGA 1000 Pro, and replaces the CA-204. The pin assignments for the 26 pin D-type connector are shown on the next page.

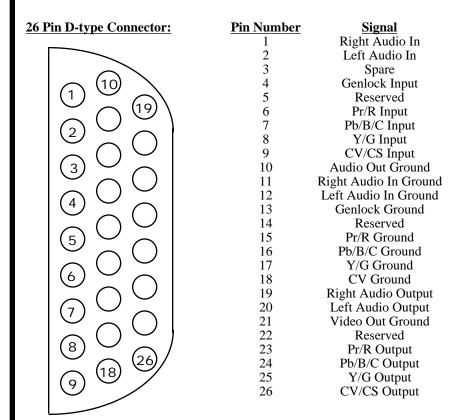


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CA-207 CONNECTOR DIAGRAM

The diagram below shows pin assignments for the 26-pin D-type connector on the CA-207 cable (see previous page).

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Appendix D — TARGA 1000 Pro Upgrade

The standard TARGA® 1000 card can be easily upgraded to a TARGA® 1000 Pro. This is done by replacing the CA/V module (Composite Video and S-Video analog input) on the base with the Component Pro module (i.e., daughter card). The Component Pro module allows the TARGA 1000 base card to have the following analog input and output formats:

- Composite Video
- S-Video (Y/C)
- Component YUV (BetaCAM)
- RGB

Note: A standard A/V module can be identified by a smooth outer surface. A Component Pro module is identifiable by an assortment of chips, capacitors, and resistors on its outer surface.

The TARGA 1000 with Component Pro module allows you to select any of the following video standards as output:

Equipment Needed:

• One pair needle-nose pliers

• Small flat-head screwdriver

- NTSC at 640 x 480
- NTSC 601 at 720 x 486 (NTSC CCIR-601)
- Full NTSC at 648 x 486
- PAL at 768 x 576
- PAL 601 at 720 x 576 (PAL CCIR-601)

Upgrade Installation Procedure

Component Kit Parts:

- One Component Pro Module
- 3/16" Hex Nut Driver
- Anti-Static Wrist Strap
- One CA-207 Cable
- Two CA-203 Cables
- · Warranty Card

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1. Put on Wrist Strap and Remove Hex-head Screws from base card.

Remove the lower 3/16" hex-head screws and washers (see Figure 1) from the TARGA 1000 base card with the supplied hex-nut driver. Unfasten the stand off from base card by lifting the corner of the module. If the stand off does not come out, it may be necessary to use needle-nose pliers to squeeze the tip.

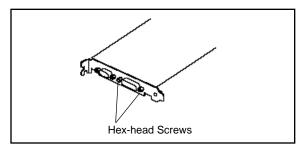


Figure 1. Remove Hex-head Screws

2. Remove CA/V Module from base card. Refer to Figure 2.

Once the stand off has been unfastened, pull module from base card to separate the video module connectors. Lift the card to clear the module's 26-pin D-type connector from the slot-connector bracket. Once removed, place the card in an antistatic bag for storage.

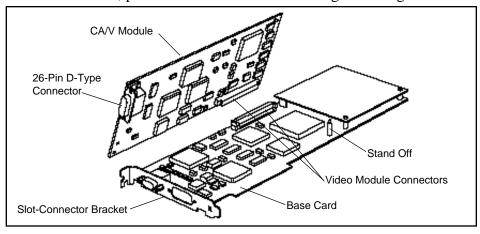


Figure 2. Remove CA/V Module

3. Attach Component Pro Module to base card.

Position the 26-pin D-type connector of the Component Pro module through the slot-connector bracket (see Figure 3). Seat the module connector and stand off to connect the Pro module to base card. Use the hex-head screws and washers to secure the Component Pro module.

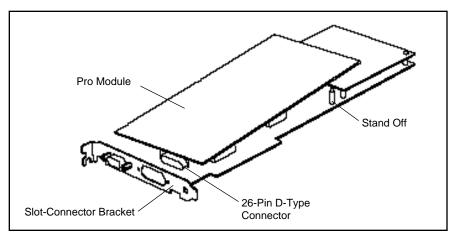


Figure 3. Attach Component Pro Module

4. Insert TARGA® 1000 with attached Component Pro module into computer expansion slot.

If necessary, refer to the "Installation Procedure" section in the Installation Guide.

5. Use CA-207 Cable to connect Input and Output Devices to Component Pro.

The CA-207 cable is designed to allow high quality video devices to be attached to your TARGA 1000 card. The BNC connectors are

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individually labeled on the cable for convenience. Your peripherals should have specifically labeled BNC connectors that should be labeled either R,G,B, YPbPr, or Y,R-Y,B-Y. In the case of Y, R-Y, B-Y attach the Pb cable to the B-Y connector and the Pr cable to the R-Y connector.

The CA-207 cable also has BNC connectors for your component inputs and outputs, and RCA jacks for audio. Two CA-203 cables are provided for hooking the CA-207 cable to S-Video jacks if desired. The CA-203 consists of two BNC receptors combined to a 4-pin DIN S-Video adapter. The CA-207 connectors labeled Y and C should be hooked into the CA-203 cable connectors, also labeled for Y and C, to produce S-Video.

Note: Unused video inputs/outputs should be terminated to minimize cross talk between signals. Pinnacle recommends 75-ohm terminators.

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